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non-pathogenic infectious pancreatic necrosis virus (IPNV) vaccines and inactivated IPNV vaccines.

Applicant incorporates by reference her remarks and argument in the Response after Final filed on September 2, 2005.

Additionally, Applicant disagrees with the Examiner's argument that Vakharia et al. teach live, non-pathogenic IPNV vaccines and inactivated IPNV vaccines. However, Vakharia et al. do not disclose a regular live, non-pathogenic or inactivated IPNV. Rather, the patent disclosed a recombinant IPNV using IPNV genome segments A and B, and more specially, an NS protein deficient IPNV by modifying segment A of the genome to prevent the expression of NS protein. *See, e.g.*, abstract and claims of Vakharia et al. Thus, Applicant's claimed invention is distinctively different from that described in Vakharia.

In view of the foregoing, the objection and rejections have been overcome and the claims are in condition for allowance, early notice of which is requested. Should the application not be passed for issuance, the examiner is requested to contact the applicant's attorney to resolve the problem.

Respectfully submitted,



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